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SUBJECT: PGNU CABINET MEETING - NOVEMBER 12, 1975

1. LAO PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION SPOKESMAN  
OUDAY SOUVANNAVONG REPORTED TO THE PRESS NOVEMBER 13 ON  
THE PGNU CABINET MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12.

2. SEATAC: OUDAY SAID THAT THE CABINET HAD DECIDED THAT  
SINCE THE WORLD SITUATION WAS NOT "SUITABLE", LAOS WOULD  
NOT TAKE PART IN THE NEXT SOUTHEAST ASIAN TRANSPORTATION  
AND COMMUNICATIONS ORGANIZATION MEETING. LAOS REMAINS A  
MEMBER OF SEATAC. A DEFINITIVE GOVERNMENT DECISION ON  
LAO PARTICIPATION IN THE ORGANIZATION WILL BE MADE LATER.

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3. EDUCATION: SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION OUNE

NEUA PHIMMASONE WILL GO TO HANOI TO DISCUSS DETAILS OF THE PROGRAM UNDER WHICH THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT HAS OFFERED 100 SCHOLARSHIPS TO LAO STUDENTS. THE TALKS ARE EXPECTED TO CENTER ON ROOM AND BOARD.

4. LUMBER: THE CABINET ACCEPTED THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY'S PLAN FOR CUTTING TREES IN THE BASIN OF THE NAM NGUM DAM THIRTY WOOD-CUTTING TEAMS LEAD BY EXPERTS WILL BE FORMED. EACH TEAM WILL BE COMPOSED OF 120 GROUPS OF WOODCUTTERS; THE NUMBER OF PERSONS IN EACH GROUP WILL VARY FROM TWO TO TWELVE. LOCAL RESIDENTS AND THE ARMY ARE EXPECTED TO SUPPLY THE LABOR, AND THE PROJECT IS TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN FIVE MONTHS.

5. ALL THAT GLITTERS...: THE CABINET ACCEPTED AN OFFER BY A JAPANESE RELIGIOUS GROUP, ISEIKO SAIKAI, TO GILD THE UPPER PARTS OF THE THAT LUANG AND THE THIRTY SMALL STUPAS THAT SURROUND THE MAIN THAT. THE JAPANESE GROUP WILL USE A HIGH-QUALITY GOLD THAT IS EXPECTED TO LAST WITHOUT PEELING FOR TEN TO FIFTEEN YEARS. THE WORK IS TO START ON DECEMBER 5.

6. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS.  
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